**Southwark Governors’ Association**

**Nomination for Management Committee**

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| **Name**  Ian Ford | **School Name**  Federation of St James the Great & St John’s RC Primary |
| **Category of governor**  Local authority | **When were you first appointed as a governor?**  2012 |
| **Please set out below why you would like to be elected to the management committee and what skills, knowledge and experience you think you can bring.** | |
| My professional background is that I was a senior NHS manager, the Chief Officer of a Community Health Council. This involved working with both acute and community NHS trusts at a policy level, carrying out inspection visits, and representing service users in the complaints process. After re-training as a social worker in 2000 I worked with children in care and with older care leavers, then became an Education Welfare Officer and Early Help Practitioner in Southwark. As an EWO I worked with several special schools, which helped me in my role as a SEN governor. I retired six years ago and now work as an Independent Social Worker and Practice Educator, and also as a part-time tutor at the University of Greenwich.  As an educator I try to look for the big picture, making connections and seeking to make judgements based on research and solid evidence. I draw on a number of perspectives including sociology and social psychology, social learning theory, and personal construct theory. I also bring a personal perspective of growing up with neurodiversity - ADHD and dyspraxia. | |

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